

The Intelligencer.

(Gas has been reduced to \$2.25 per thousand at Steubenville. This is a reduction of 25 cents. The price in Wheeling is \$1.62.)

We are indebted to Col. Ben. Wilson for a copy of the report of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, of which he is chairman, on the subject of Mexican affairs.

The murder of Rando writes from his jail at Galesburg, Illinois, to the Washington (Pa.) Examiner stating that he left Washington county in 1859; that he is now 38 years old, and that he used to go to school to Dr. Horace B. Durant, of Clayville. He signs himself "Frank Rando, alias Chas. C. Scott, of Clayville."

MONROE COUNTY (O.) News.—At Woodfield the following quotations obtain: Butter 16, eggs 15, beef 8.10, lard 4.50, hogs 3.50, green beans 15, oats 25, onions 30, potatoes 40.45, rap 1.

Several crops of tobacco have been sold in Bethel township at from \$5 to \$8 per hundred.

The Court House was insured for \$20,000 on the 15th inst. for five years, by N. Baker, agent, in the Zina, Franklin, Jefferson and Millville, \$5,000 each.

The First Ward Night School has been closed on account of the unruly conduct of a number of boys in attendance. Their carrying on became so intolerable that the City Superintendent felt called on Tuesday night, to close the house at night for the present. This is the only case of the kind in the city. The other night schools are generally speaking, giving no trouble, and most of them are progressing very satisfactorily. We are particularly gratified to learn that the Colored night school is a model of industry and decorum.

For the first time in this vicinity—at least for many years—we are to see a Diving Bell put in operation. Mr. Hiram Hill, Superintendent of the Hill Wrecking Company of Louisville, is in the city, and has made a contract with the Pennsylvania Insurance Company for raising the nails still under water at Benwood. Of the 3,900 kegs sunk on the "Giant" large some 1,200 have been recovered, leaving 2,700 yet under water. Of these it is estimated, from soundings that have been made, that 2,500 kegs lie 100 feet below the bridge in 22 feet of water. The diving bell apparatus will be here Friday night and operations will be in progress at the wreck on Saturday and Sunday.

What is the Future Fate of Infants Dying Unbaptized?

The Intelligencer has recently been discussed from the pulpit, and briefly noticed by the press. So far as we can see, from the premises adduced by the pulpit to sustain the argument, the infant dying unbaptized must for this neglect of parents or guardians suffer for ever the pains of the infernal fire. We would like to see the evidence on which the divine presence and glory.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT.

TO THE DAILY INTELLIGENCER

GENERAL NEWS.

The Experiences of a Blockade Runner.

A Great Commercial Enterprise on the Tapis.

A Matter of Interest to the People of Ohio and Mississippi Valleys.

The Crisis in Germany—Bismarck Coming Out Ahead.

President Hayes on His Nominations.

WASHINGTON.

Memories Return.

WASHINGTON, December 19.—Dr. Lemuel J. Draper, of this city, was appointed Asst. Surgeon of the Navy in 1862, and early in 1865 he was on the Princeton at Philadelphia. Thence, A. Menzies, a blockade runner, but previously an engineer in the Confederate navy, was a prisoner on the same vessel. Menzies obtained leave to go ashore and Dr. Draper had leave to go with Menzies for 48 hours. Both left Philadelphia together and went to Baltimore, where they were arrested by troops while at a Confederate party in honor of Menzies' return. In February 1865, Draper's appointment as Asst. Surgeon in the regular Navy was revoked, but on the 14th of the same month the revocation was cancelled and he was allowed to resign at his own request. After many ineffectual attempts to get back into the Navy Draper was yesterday reinstated as Asst. Surgeon, with pay for thirteen years and ten months.

PARDONED.

The President to-day signed a pardon for John A. Joyce, convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States of taxes on the 15th inst. The pardon is full and unconditional. Joyce, who is full and well, was sentenced to \$2,000 fine in addition to his imprisonment.

A Peculiar Whisky Case.

CHICAGO, December 19.—A peculiar case came up in the United States Court, before Judge Blodgett, to-day. Some time in 1873 James A. Cunningham, of Louisville, shipped W. H. & J. Schwaebler, of Peoria, forty barrels of whisky, which were seized by Collector Whiting, of Peoria district, but were afterwards seized and retained by Revenue Officer Bidger, of Chicago. Cunningham's brother, Campbell then took possession of it and stored it in a cellar of Z. W. Hotchkiss, whose son was made captive. Since then Mr. Cunningham's attorneys have tried repeatedly to have the whisky brought to trial, claiming that the whisky was straight. Recently they got an order from the Court to have the whisky turned over to Cunningham; but Hotchkiss refused to comply until a claim of \$250 per day for 1,500 days accretion and \$125 a day for storage and insurance was paid. He was directed by the Court to-day to release the whisky and to bring in his claims in a reasonable amount, and was told that it would be passed upon and paid by the Government.

Criminal News.

St. Louis, December 19.—George Reed, collector for general taxes in this city, while entering the National State Bank, just above East St. Louis, yesterday was robbed of his pocket-book by two unknown men. The pocket-book contained some \$200 in drafts and checks, and only \$55 in money. The pocket-book was recovered yesterday morning by the railroad track, but the robbers have not yet been arrested.

Frank Harris, a merchant of Rockport, Pike county, Illinois, was called upon about two o'clock yesterday morning by two purchasers, who said that they desired to purchase some of the stock of the Rockport and Pike county railroad, and to bring a funeral in the morning. Mr. Harris went to his store with them, furnished the goods and as he unlocked his safe to obtain change for a twenty dollar note, tendered in payment for the articles, he was knocked senseless, and the safe robbed of \$7,000.

The Old South Church Fund.

Boston, December 19.—The fair in aid of the Old South Church closed this evening, having realized \$30,000. It is expected that the disposition of unsold goods will swell the amount to \$40,000.

FATAL SHOTS.

John Cronin, three years old, was shot in the heart to-day by Henry Hickey, 11 years old, and died a few minutes later. The boys were in an upper room at play when the Cronin boy scratched Hickey in the face and started to run down stairs. The latter followed him to the head of the stairs and fired the fatal shot with a revolver.

The Mexican Difficulty.

CHICAGO, December 19.—A dispatch was received at Lieutenant General Sheridan's headquarters late last night from Captain Blair, who is in command at Fort Bliss, and reports that the Texas Rangers at San Antonio surrendered yesterday morning. Judge Howard, agent for the salt mines at Kinross, and McBride, one of the rangers, were shot, and the rest of the rangers are now at Fort Bliss, opposite El Paso, Mexico, and the mob has dispersed. No help was given the mob from the Mexican side of the river. The mob was composed entirely of native born citizens of Texas.

Weather Indications.

WAR DEPARTMENT.
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20—3 A. M.
PROBABILITIES.
For Tennessee and Ohio Valley, the Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys and Lakes, warmer southwest veering to cooler northwest winds, falling followed by rising barometer, partly cloudy weather and occasionally light rains or snow, except possibly heavy rains in the lower Missouri Valley.

FOREIGN NEWS.

EUROPEAN WAR NOTES.

Germany Wants the Turks Expelled from Europe.

LONDON, December 19.—A Berlin dispatch says: The impression prevailed in Diplomatic and Bureaucratic circles that the German Government is desirous of a termination of the war; that it will adhere fully and freely to whatever conditions Russia may resolve to exact, and that it has resolved neither itself to advance any obstacle, nor so far as it can, to permit any other power to hinder the execution of Turkey as a European Power.

ENGLAND NOT TO BE BLOWN OFF BY THE OTHER POWERS.

This afternoon the Full Mail Gazette in its leading article says: The Cabinet has come to the wise resolution that if in these days, after reading the history of the last ten years; after making relations of the Continental Powers; after learning the lesson which the condition of Europe at this moment plainly teaches; if after this any man thinks an empire can exist without ever asserting a disposition to fight for its possessions and existence, that man must be a fool, if without thinking so, he maintains his point then he must be some kind of a traitor—the sort of a traitor, perhaps, who declares himself a humanitarian, or a Churchman first and an Englishman afterwards.

The Full Mail Gazette says: The summoning of Parliament probably means no more than a gathering to order the Powers that England don't propose to allow the Eastern Question to be settled by three Emperors, and that she must have some voice in the disposal of her own future.

KATINA, December 19.—It is reported that 6,000 Turks from Podgoritzia county, who were sent to the coast to march to the aid of the Sultan, are now marching to the aid of the Sultan, and are now marching to the aid of the Sultan.

BERLIN, December 19.—The Serbians have occupied Prokopjevo unopposed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 19.—The Porte has instructed its Minister at Rome to ask for an explanation of the relations which are growing more and more intimate between Italy and Greece.

COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

LONDON, December 20.—The St. Petersburg Gazette announces that General Todleben has been appointed Commander of the army of Rostovsk, with Prince Imerlin as his Chief of Staff.

ENGLAND AND THE TURKISH NOTE.

A Vienna correspondent says it was thought for some time that England might bring the Turkish note officially to the knowledge of Russia, but according to the latest news the British cabinet has decided on Tuesday, that in view of the difference of opinion among the Powers any attempt to mediate will be inoperative. The Porte intends to lay the whole question of negotiation before the Parliament, making further steps dependent on its decision.

GERMANY.

LONDON, December 19.—A Berlin special says: "The anxiously expected solution of the crisis seems again at a standstill. Dr. Sadow, Under Secretary of State for Ecclesiastical Affairs, declines to become successor to Dr. Herlmann, President of the Superior Council of the Evangelical Church, and consequently Dr. Falk, Minister of Public Instruction and Ecclesiastical Affairs, refused to countermand the decree accepting Dr. Herlmann's resignation. To-night it is rumored that Count Newmarch, Chamberlain to the Emperor and one of Bismarck's influential and implacable adversaries, has been removed from the Court."

AUSTRIA.

Andrassy Still Neutral.

VIENNA, December 19.—Count Andrassy, addressing the Budget Committee, said that he could not, under no circumstances whatever, make the slightest alteration in the policy hitherto pursued, which consisted in maintaining neutrality. While providing for the protection of Austria's interests and the exercise of her rights, she would not permit Austria to be run over by Russia, and if necessary, prevent any attempt by Serbia to extend operations to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, December 19.—The Carpenters and Joiners' Association have divided the members into the Masters similar to the Carpenters and Joiners' Association.

FRANCE.

PARIS, December 19.—Eighty-five prefectoral changes gazetted.

TRANSPORTATION.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD CO.

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